

Senior Citizens
Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2015

Members Present:

Mike Rickus
Nancy Warneke
Ann Way
Dr. Richard Reynolds

City Reps Present: P.O'Callaghan

J. Protiva
L. Swanson

A. Roll call

B. Minutes July 20th meeting minutes read and approved

C. Citizens Comments

D. Old Business

M. Rickus presented the letter prepared for the city council regarding the official name change from the Newport Senior Activity Center to the Newport 60+ Activity Center. The letter was read and approved by the advisory committee and Peggy will forward it to Peggy Hawker to be presented to council on their next available agenda. Peggy O. will notify M. Rickus of that date so both he and Peggy can be in attendance at the council meeting to answer any questions the council may have. Mike reported that John Baker will continue to work with the three groups The Advisory, The Friends and The Association to continue to assist them in reaching their planning goals.

Several board members will not be available for September's meeting, so it was cancelled. be. Ann Way said she would be unavailable to attend any meetings for the fall term. Discussion ensued about changing the meeting time. It was suggested that the meeting be changed from 10:30 to 2:30pm on the 4th Monday of each month. The board approved. Next meeting will be Monday, October 26th at 2:30pm.

M. Rickus suggested that each board member have a copy of the Newport 60+ centers policies that have been recently created. Peggy will scan those to each board member and also council member L. Swanson.

Peggy reported on several items. Peggy has met with Larry Beggs regarding the entrance way re-design. They reviewed the building plans and Larry will make some recommendations at the October meeting. The new TV's/monitors are up and running. Staff can upkeep the monitors from their work stations on a regular basis. The video that was shot by Silverman productions has been reviewed and recommended changes have been delivered to the production company. Peggy will bring the 2nd draft before the advisory when completed. Peggy reported on interior signage. Peggy checked with city staff about adding braille to the interior signage. E-mail from J. Lease

Hello Peggy,

You should specify to the maker of the sign that it comply with ICC A117.1, Section 703, for font size, type, width, etc.. It should have raised lettering (tactile) which is repeated in braille. Mounting height should be minimum of 48" above the floor as measured to the baseline of the lowest character, and 60" maximum above the floor measure to the baseline of the highest character. The sign dimensions should be selected with this in mind (18 x 24 may not work).

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Tru cut designs cannot do braille on signs. Newport signs has been contacted to review the area of the sign to ensure that it conforms with the codes.

E. New Business

Peggy has been in discussion with the Lincoln County Emergency Manager Jenny Demaris about emergency preparedness. The discussion began over emergency packs and preparedness for the special needs population but soon went to facility preparedness. The 60+ does not currently have any emergency supplies on hand. It was discussed that we might need supplies for up to 50 person. J. Protiva reported that the city has a committee but that the group has not come up with anything specific. Jim Suggested contacting the city admin department to get a list of what supplies they have on hand. Peggy will pursue. M. Rickus suggested reminding the city that the 60+ does not have any supplies on hand. Peggy suggested that the friends seek out possible grants, once the list of supplies have been established. Peggy will contact Tracy Cole from the Fire Department to see if he is available to speak about emergency preparedness at the October meeting.

Meeting adjourned

Next Advisory Meeting Monday, October 26th @ 2:30 am